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creation Guide



Lyndon B. Johnson National Grasslands Texas

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Lake Fannin: From Boutham, turn north on SH 78 and drive 5.5 miles to Ridings. Turn right on FM 273 and go 2 miles and make a 90-degree left turn.

Continue on FM 273 north for 4 miles to Park Road 1; turn left and proceed 1/4 mile where it becomes Forest Service Road 923; go down FS 923 for 1 mile and turn left on FS 923A, which dead-ends at Lake Fannin. This 43-acre lake has an earthen boat launch site, and fishing is permitted. No public facilities.

Map Location A-2.

Caddo Wildlife Management

Area: A diverse habitat among the grasses and trees of the area attracts small mammals, red and gray fox, waterfowl, gulls, quail, white-tailed deer, wild turkey, and a variety of other birds. You will enjoy excellent opportunities for wildlife viewing and photography.

The 16,240-acre Caddo Wildlife Management Area attracts many hunters, other visitors, and wildlife. If you want to hunt deer in the area, be sure to get a public hunting big-game permit. Small-game hunters must purchase a small-game permit. These permits allow holders to hunt on an additional 700,000 acres of land in the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's Public Hunting Program. They may also hunt in another 200,000 acres of wildlife management areas in the four National Forests in Texas. Income from the fees in wildlife management areas is used for wildlife habitat improvement and other programs to improve the area for hunters.

Map Locations B-5, C-5, A-1, A-2, B-2, C-2, D-2.

General Information

Campers must pay a user fee at West Lake Davy Crockett. The Golden Age Passport for those 62 years of age and older and the Golden Access Passport for blind or permanently disabled persons

are valid at the Lake Davy Crockett Recreation Area. Both passports are available at the district ranger's office in Decatur, other district ranger offices in East Texas, and the forest supervisor's office in Lufkin.

Nearby towns offer shopping opportunities for groceries, gasoline, and camping supplies.

Recreation users on the national grasslands should be extremely careful with fire, because the prairie grasses can be highly flammable.

Privately-owned land is adjacent to the Grasslands, and visitors should watch for boundaries, which are marked with red paint and signs to avoid trespassing onto private land. A more detailed, inexpensive map for the national grasslands, available from the district ranger offices and the forest supervisor's office in Lufkin, will also help you identify national grassland boundaries and stay on public land.

Camping Regulations

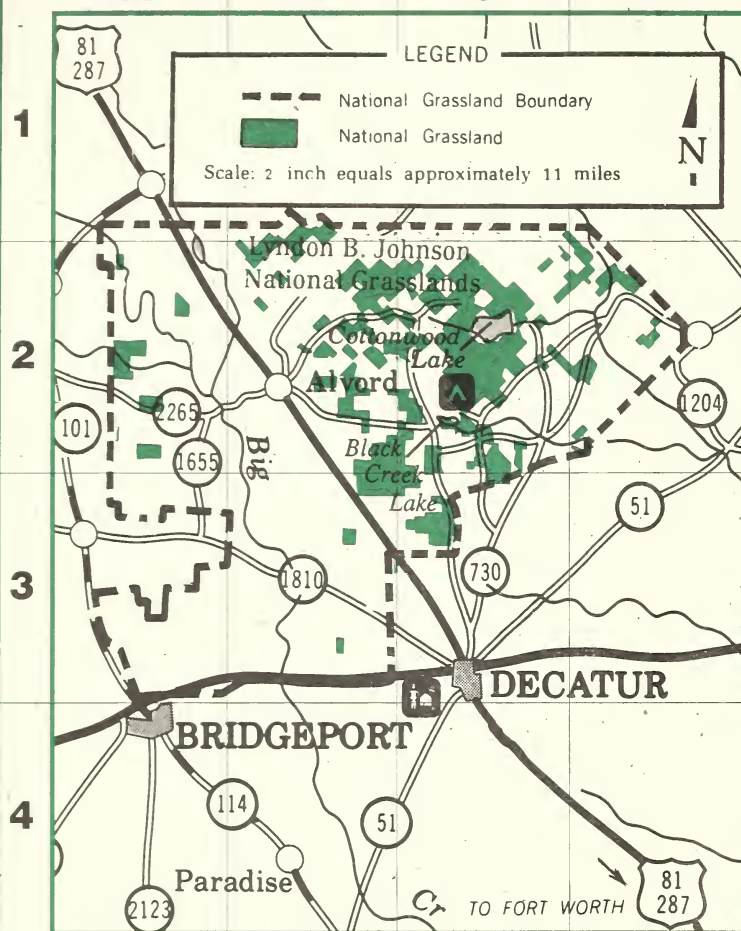
Please observe these regulations to ensure a safe and pleasant visit for all Caddo-LBJ National Grasslands visitors.

1. Occupy your campsite the first night you arrive; the site should not be left unoccupied for more than 24 hours at a time.
2. Maximum length of stay is 14 consecutive days.
3. Help preserve all facilities and vegetation. Protect recreation areas for future generations.
4. Conducting, demonstrating, or participating in a public meeting, assembly, or special event requires a special-use permit by the organizer of the event.
5. Vehicle travel is restricted to designated roads.

**Please...
let's keep the
Caddo - Lyndon
B. Johnson
National
Grasslands clean
for everyone.
Thanks Woodsy**



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Lyndon B. Johnson National Grasslands

The Caddo and Lyndon B. Johnson (LBJ) National Grasslands are located in two areas northeast and northwest of the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex. They not only provide grazing land for cattle and habitat for wildlife, but offer you a variety of recreation. The most popular activities are hiking, camping, fishing, hunting, horseback riding, wildlife viewing, and photography. You will have plenty of room to do all these things -- the grasslands covers 38,098 acres.

White-tailed deer, small mammals, coyotes, bobcats, red fox, waterfowl, bobwhite quail, turkey, and songbirds thrive in the diverse habitats provided by the grasslands. Largemouth bass, blue, channel, and yellow catfish, and perch are com-

mon catches at the many lakes that dot the grasslands' landscape.

In spring, almost anywhere on the grasslands, visitors enjoy spectacular viewing of migratory neotropical birds, from Central and South America, and photographers and nature-lovers agree the spring show of wildflowers is magnificent.

The recreation areas on the Caddo-LBJ National Grasslands offer a variety of facilities for camping, picnicking, and other outdoor activities. All are open year round.

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Black Creek: From Decatur, drive northeast on FM 730 for 4 miles. Turn left (north) on Red Door Road and go 3.2 miles; turn left (west) on Clayborn Road and proceed 1/4 mile. Turn north on Portwood Road and go another 1/2 mile; turn left (west) on Forest Service Road 902 to the recreation area. A concrete boat ramp, picnicking, tent camping, and sanitary facilities are available. Boating and fishing are allowed on the 30-acre lake. This is also the site of the trailhead for a 4-mile-long hiking trail to Cottonwood Lake. Hikers will enjoy several scenic overlook opportunities.

Map Location C-2.

Cottonwood Lake: From Decatur, drive north on FM 730 for 10 miles. Turn left at the sign and follow signs for the next 4 miles. Boating and fishing are permitted.

An earthen boat launch is available on this 40-acre lake. This is also the site of the trailhead for a hiking trail to Black Creek Lake. **Map Location C-2.**

The 15-mile-long Lyndon B. Johnson Equestrian Trail is a partly-developed horse trail evolving from equestrian group use and coincides with the Cottonwood to Black Creek Lake hiking trail. Additionally, open areas of the Grasslands are popular for cross-country horseback riding.

Map Location C-2.

Because soils on the LBJ Grasslands are susceptible to erosion, vehicle travel there is restricted to designated Forest Service and gravel-surfaced roads.

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Smokey says,



“Be Careful With Camp Fires!”

For further information on the Caddo-
LBJ National Grasslands, contact the
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South College (FM 730 South), Decatur, TX
76234, telephone 817/627-5475.

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